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iPath fact sheet

Application type	Store-and-forward telemedicine
Application license	Open source, GPL license
Application technology	Web application: PHP, MySQL
Keywords	Content Management System, Telemedicine, store-and-forward, distance learning, Continuous Medical Education (CME)
Application description	The iPath platform has been designed to foster information exchange and communication between professionals working in the health sector. It hosts moderated discussion groups, in which members can: • present and discuss cases (medical or others) in order to exchange information, experiences and expert opinions • organise consultation services where group members present cases to experts who provide their expertise as a second opinion • collect structured data with customized forms for further analysis • build-up a library e.g. clinical cases for case based learning and learning material (lectures) • prepare and conduct online distant lectures for remote participants A function of iPath useful in settings with limited resources is the automatic e-mail import. Users specify a group into which they would like to store cases and then send cases to iPath as an ordinary e-mail from any e-mail client. When they send the e-mail they type the case title as the subject of the e-mail, the clinical description as the main text and attach images as files. The cases are automatically imported by iPath into the specified group.
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Link	sourceforge.net/projects/ipath/



